

Motor Vehicle Registration Deadline Aug. 11

Deadline for enforcement of motor vehicle registration laws has been set for Aug. 11, it was announced today by Edgar E. Lampton, Director of Motor Vehicles, as he revealed that all but a few 1947 license plates have been put in the mails.

Delay in setting the final date has been due to shortage of steel and consequent manufacturing troubles, Lampton added as he revealed that orders have been issued to the highway patrol for strict enforcement of the registration laws on and after next Monday. Cooperation of all law enforcement agencies also is being requested.

"After next Monday all motorists who display old license plates or no plates at all will be stopped for an explanation," Lampton said. "Also, those who display only one 1947 plate or who display plates improperly will be stopped."

Torrance Man Arrested For Beach Fires

In what's believed to be the first case on record where a man has been arrested for burning a beach fire in violation of a recent ordinance prohibiting beach fires, West Los Angeles police answered a call from lifeguards at Santa Monica to arrest a beach violator.

Although citations have been issued to violators of the ordinance, no arrests previously had been made, police said. Candidates for the dubious honor of being the first person to be arrested for the violation was identified as Earl B. Hansen, 34, 2214 West 203rd st., Torrance. Lifeguards said they warned the man about the fires and, when this failed, they called police. The lifeguards, Alvin L. Burack and John Ganther, reported Hansen as saying, "I have been burning beach fires for 25 years and no one is going to stop me now." Officers D. P. Sheely and B. J. Sailey stopped him!

STECKER ABOARD U. S. S. DUNCAN VISITS FAR EAST

Ensign Lee E. Stecker, U. S. Navy, son of Mrs. Mary Fowler, 1828 Andree ave., is now in the port of Tsingto, China.

Aboard the U. S. S. Duncan, flagship for the Destroyer Division 52, Ensign Stecker has made stops in Hong Kong and Shanghai, China during the past few months and will soon visit Yokohama, Japan. He expects to return to his wife, Mrs. Eleanor Stecker of Portland, Oregon, in December.

Torrance Building Permits For Week Total \$182,690

Torrance building permits during the past week totaled more than \$180,000 as permits to Kettler Knolls, Inc. for 19 homes costing \$5,000 each were issued. The homes will be situated in the 2000 and 2100 blocks of Middlebrook road and Reynosa ave. near Sepulveda blvd. and Narbonne ave.

The new Public Relations office building for General Petroleum Corp., to be constructed near 190th st. and Crenshaw blvd., required an additional permit for \$64,000. Last February a permit for \$36,000 was issued, but since that time plans have been changed and now call for a \$100,000 building. Although primarily designed for public relations offices, the structure will also be used for dispensary purposes.

Other permits issued this week by the Building Department were as follows: California-Nevada Properties, Inc. model home and garage at 237 Calle Mayor, \$9,000.

Berton L. Lamb, 609 Portola ave., residence, \$2,500.

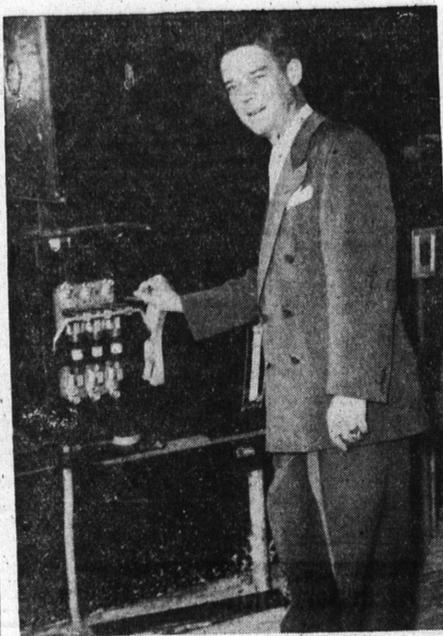
R. E. Moffitt, 2273 250th st., residence, \$2,500.

Joe Kruger, 1217 Amapola ave., residence and garage, \$7,190.

C. N. Weber, 1610 Date ave., private garage, \$600.

Harry Hough, 18335 Western ave., addition to residence, \$1,000.

Albert Isen, 1504 Engracia ave., addition to residence, \$900.



NEW RADIO STATION ON AIR... Owner Arthur H. Croghan is shown above throwing the main switch putting Station KOWL on the air for the first time. With studios located in the Santa Monica Ambassador hotel, the new 5000 watt independent station is now on a regular sunrise to sunset schedule at the "top o' the dial," 1580 kilocycles. Transmitter is located in West Los Angeles. Formal dedication ceremonies with stars of stage, radio and screen present are scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 10.

Weekly Meetings Of Principals Of Schools Called

Torrance City school principals will meet with the superintendent, J. Henrich Hull, once a week and teachers will be invited to participate in the planning and discussions at these meetings so that the children will have the benefit of many different contributions to these discussions and the members of the teaching staff can become acquainted with all administrators and vice versa.

The County Office is conducting a two-day orientation program designed to acquaint teachers with the staff of the County Superintendent's office with available materials and services, and with the Los Angeles County course of study.

All certificated persons in Torrance city schools are eligible to attend. This will be held at 9:00 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 4 and 5, at South Pasadena, San Marino Junior high school, 1524 Fair Oaks ave., South Pasadena. Up to 4 units of institute credit will be granted for these sessions.

THE FIRST LABOR DAY

Labor day is a holiday in all states of the Union and in the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Alaska. Colorado was the first state to make it a holiday, which it did in 1887. It was first celebrated by the Knights of Labor in New York in 1882.

Draw Lines On Tideland Fight

Congressman Willis W. Bradley of Long Beach has been appointed to a special subcommittee of the California House delegation to study problems imposed on California by the recent Supreme Court decision awarding the State's tidelands to the federal government, according to Washington dispatches.

Chairman of the committee is Rep. Carl Hinshaw of Pasadena, who said the five-man body will be "available" either in California or Washington when the question of new legislation comes up for discussion.

The group expects to cooperate very closely with a special Senate subcommittee headed by Sen. Moore (R. Okla.) which also is studying the tidelands problem.

During the Congressional recess the subcommittee will work with state and federal officials in order that pertinent legislation might be introduced at the next session of Congress.

Other members of the special subcommittee include Reps. Allen (R.) of Oakland, Miller (D.) of Tulare.

California will join with other states in endeavoring to obtain a rehearing of the tidelands case in the Supreme Court and to get quit-claim legislation thru Congress.

Plan To Start Work Soon On Baptist Church

Grading and leveling of ground for the proposed new \$150,000 Baptist church building is awaiting the removal of three houses on the site, the Rev. C. M. Northrup, pastor, said this week.

One of the three houses has been sold to Ondus R. Hill, 1327 Amapola ave. and will be removed within the next two weeks. Owing to occupancy, sale of one house has been postponed. However, it is anticipated that the two houses which still belong to the church will be sold this month.

Trustees of the church and the pastor met Tuesday night and discussed further plans for construction of the new buildings on Carson st. between Manuel ave. and Martina ave. Completed plans for the structures have been approved by the City Engineer and Planning Commission, said the Rev. Mr. Northrup.

Plans drawn by Architect Howard Holmes call for a main auditorium and a two-story Sunday school building with 35 classrooms besides a small meeting hall.

Careful Management Needed For Schools Funds To Cover Need—Hull

Reports to the contrary notwithstanding, it is going to require a lot of careful management to make the funds go around this year, even with the special 50-cent tax, and teachers will be very helpful if they keep their requests conservative, Superintendent of Schools J. Henrich Hull has informed all teachers of the new Torrance City School district.

In a letter to the teachers, he said:

"Torrance is an above average community, deeply interested in its schools and the welfare of the children. We have a rare opportunity to have an outstanding school system.

"We are looking forward to a successful year, and while everything is being done to facilitate the obtaining of equipment, desks and supplies of all kinds, it now appears that some shortages may occur," Hull said.

"The opportunity of starting on the ground floor with a new school system rarely comes to an individual and when it does, along with the opportunity come responsibilities and some unforeseeable special adjustments for everyone.

"Helpful suggestions from any teacher will be appreciated by all administrators. There will be some things that will slip everyone's attention if we don't all contribute to the organization.

"The first job of a new school system is to determine where the children are educationally. It is realized that few teachers will be able to complete their planning for the year until they have set their classes and have had an opportunity to become acquainted with the children and their special needs.

"Because of the impossibility of determining exact enrollments, a vacancy in the teaching staff is being held in three places in the belief that enrollments may not be up to expectations in some level or other, and adjustments can then be

made by shifting assignments or adding a teacher or two to the staff if necessary.

"At present 63 teachers have been employed."

The first general teachers' meeting will be held in the auditorium of Torrance elementary school at 9:30 a. m. Monday, Sept. 8.

L.A. Technical School Plans Are Presented

Plans for the new \$2,100,000 Harbor Technical Institute in Wilmington were presented Monday night to the Los Angeles Board of Education.

The institute will be located on a 37-acre site on the west side of Figueroa Street between Pacific Coast Highway and Anaheim Street.

Dr. Howard Campion, assistant superintendent of adult and vocational education, said the school has been designed to accommodate 2000 students from what is known as the Dominguez area. This includes the Shoshoning Strip, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Wilmington, Harbor City, Gardena and Dominguez.

Property south of the institute is owned by the Los Angeles City Park Department which plans to establish a recreation center on the acreage, Campion said.

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